GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1449
ANSWERED ON:08.12.2015
Foodgrains for Calamities
Kumar Dr. Virendra

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the States have submitted their wheat and rice requirements for drought and flood relief operations;
(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto indicating the quantum of wheat and rice sought by the States and the quantum allocated by the Government during each of the last three years, State and category wise;
(c) whether the Government proposes to adopt fixed criterion for distribution of foodgrains to the needy States, in case of calamities; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)
(a) & (b): Requests have been received from State Governments for additional foodgrains for drought/flood relief. State-wise details of quantities of wheat and rice required by the States and the quantities allocated by the Government of India for drought/flood relief during the last three years are at Annexure.
(c) & (d): To consider such requests, the Government has formulated a policy in January 2014 according to which, the Government allocates additional foodgrains to the States/Union Territories(UTs) for natural calamities at Minimum Support Price(MSP)/ MSP derived prices for wheat and rice respectively subject to availability of foodgrains in the Central Pool on request of the concerned State Government/UT Administration.
****
ANNEXURE
ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1449 FOR ANSWER ON 08.11.2015 IN THE LOK SABHA
State and category-wise details of quantum of wheat and rice requested by the States and allocated by Government of India for drought/flood relief during 2012-13 to 2014-15.
(In tons)

State	Quantity of foodgrains demanded			Quantity of foodgrains allocated			Purpose
	Wheat	Rice	Total	Wheat	Rice	Total	
2012-13							
Assam	0	35000	35000	0	20000	20000	Flood relief
Maharashtra	30000	30000	60000	30000	30000	60000	Drought relief
Karnataka	57200	300000	357200	57200			

300000
357200
Drought relief
Meghalaya
0
500
500
0
500
500
Flood relief
2013-14
Assam
0
35000
35000
0
35000
35000
Flood relief
Bihar
100010
100010
200020
100010
100010
200020
Flood relief
Kerala
657
5963
6620
657
5963
6620
Flood relief
Maharashtra
180312
147528
327840
180312
147528
327840
Drought relief
Uttarakhand
2000
2000
4000
2000
2000
4000
Flood relief
2014-15
Assam
0
35000
35000
0
35000
35000
Flood relief
Bihar
25000
25000
50000
25000
25000
50000
Flood relief
J&K
20320

107026
127346
20320
107026
127346
Flood relief
****